

**National Advisory Council for Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NACBIB)
Guidelines**

**Special Early Concurrence Procedure for
Requests for Applications (RFA)**

- The NIBIB Director will assign two Council members to provide en bloc concurrence on behalf of the full Council for each NIBIB RFA.
- Unanimous voting from the two assigned members is required.
- The Director, NIBIB may select alternates, if assigned members are unavailable.
- The Executive Secretary will determine which applications are eligible for early en bloc concurrence from among applications that are well within the established program plan.
- The Executive Secretary will make application review materials available to Council members on a rolling basis, as application review for each RFA is completed and summary statements are available.
- The review/voting period for each RFA or set of applications assigned will be ten days.
- All Council members will have access to the list of applications on the early en bloc concurrence list, as well as the summary statements through the Electronic Council Book.
- Any Council member may determine that an application should come to the full Council for discussion or should not be expedited for any reason up until the date for the close of voting by the assigned members. Upon notification, the Executive Secretary will remove the applications from the early en bloc concurrence list.
- A report of early en bloc recommendations will be presented at each Council meeting.